

# Grafton Weekly Bulletin

"I CAN, I WILL"

JULY 16, 2007

## Grafton Job Corps Career Academy

### Grafton Holds Monthly Graduation—June 21, 2006

#### Special points of interest:

- July 26 & July 26:  
*GED Testing*
- July 16: Trainees return  
*from Summer Break*

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On June 21st Grafton held its first monthly graduation. Mr. Peter LaFleur, Center Director of Grafton Career Academy, presided over the ceremony. He spoke with the graduates about going into the world and making a difference in the lives of others as Grafton had done for them. He congratulated them on their success here at the center and pronounced the graduates. .

Graduates included:

Felix Alviras- Medical Office

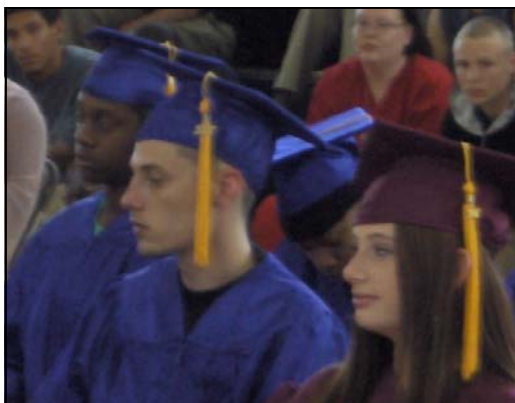
Lindsey Jorritsma- Culinary Arts

Bruce Holmes- Security Trade

Jason Holmes-Facilities Maintenance

Laurel Robotham-FM2

In addition, a number of students that had passed their GED battery of tests were also acknowledged.



The individual has always had to struggle to keep from being overwhelmed by the tribe. If you try it, you will be lonely often, and sometimes frightened. But no price is too high to pay for the privilege of owning yourself. -*Friedrich Nietzsche*

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## Human Resources...



Keep your eyes open folks because staff are moving around on the Center.

**Peter Vecchiarelli**, TEAP Counselor, has moved into the **Career Development Manager** position.

**Sean Kelleher**, CPP Instructor, has

moved into the **Academic Instructor** position.

**Linda Fils**, Non-Residential Coordinator, has moved into the **Employability Coordinator** position.

### Staff Birthdays

Brian Ferland	7/5
Juan Illaraza	7/5
Lisa Diamond	7/9
Richard Phillips	7/10
Francis Wiapla	7/12
Belinda Perez	7/16

Cedric Arno 7/24

Elizabeth Paquin 7/29



## Adams & Associates Announces A New Employee Assistance Program Provider

On July 1, 2007, you will have a new EAP Program Provider. ComPsych will provide services to you through a program entitled "Guidance Resources." You may contact them confidentially - 24 hours each day; 365 days each year - for a variety of reasons including counseling for personal issues, legal information, resources and consultation, financial information, work-life balance concerns, estate planning and a host of other issues that impact your life.



Direct services are available in English and Spanish as well as other languages through the use of an interpreter. This

program is provided at no cost to you.

Please stop by Human Resources to get your new wallet card and a flyer with additional information.

Body Language...says more than anything you could ever say!

Walk with your head up, looking forward, suggests confidence. Looking down suggests shyness or worry.

### Open Positions at Grafton Career Academy

- Senior Resident Advisor
- CSIO Supervisor
- CNA Clinical Instructor P/T
- TEAP Counselor
- Recreation Specialist

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### Guest Speakers on Center

The Education Department has recently been holding weekly guest speaker sessions on Thursdays. Last week a Sr. Admissions Counselor from Quinsigamond Community College, Karrie Sullivan, came to Center. She shared information with our female trainees about the college opportunities QCC offers. The Department as had Ike McBride, Sr. Unit Direction of the Boys & Girls Club of Worcester, who shared information with the male trainees about life skills and how important it is to make the right decisions while pursuing their education at Grafton Career Academy.

## Welcome New Trainees to Grafton Career Academy



New trainees - June 27, 2007

Left to right:

Decelia Roman, Mark Mideyno, Bianca

Rosado, Melissa Lopez, Manuel Cresps,  
Rodrick Christie, Lohan Christie.



New Trainees - July 10, 2007

Back row (left to right)

Timothy Martin, Jacquin McClain, Zuri Weeks, Peggy Jeune, Wendy Escobar, Catherine Jimenez, Daniel Kreyssig, Daniel Lugo

Front row (left to right)

Samuel Negron, Liette Foust, Mark Cornell, Isandro Lopes, Quandell Alston, Tyrell Alston, Anthony Gentile

## Driver Education—Licenses and Permits



On June 23rd ten trainees took and passed their road exam and

received their drivers license, including:

Ivette Alveraz

Tiela Andrews

Alexandra Baldwin

Antionette Caban

Dena Etienne

Siara Fonseca

Angela Jacobs

Cherelle McKellar

Luisanna Rodriguez

Victoria Thiparacksa

Timothy Vincent

On June 27th nine trainees took their permit test and passed, including:

Mellissa Davis

Jonathan Goebel

Colleen Guinto

Quanisha Jackson

Rafael Juarbe

Laricha Langley

Venus Pena

Rickita Smith

Marley Webb

## Grafton Graduates Excel at Muhlenberg and Shriver Job Corps

RPYCA graduate, **Cristian Mancilla**, has been promoted to Dorm Manager at Muhlenberg Job Corps!



RPYCA Graduate, **Jessica Ferraro** was recently promoted to Dorm Supervisor at her job at Shriver Job



Corps!



## Student Team Building Day at Grafton Career Academy

The trainees rose at their usual time and prepared for the day, but not having to don the Center's dress-of-the-day was a joy for all the trainees.

The day was filled with games and fun, including 3 on 3 Basketball, Pool Tournaments, Scavenger Hunt, PlayStation Tournaments, Arts and Crafts, Staff/Student Volleyball, Bingo, Staff/Student Softball, Dodge Ball (dorm vs. dorm), Double and Single Spades, Ping Pong, Water Balloons, Egg Toss, Dizzy Izzy, and Tug of War

(wing vs. wing).

Even in the summer heat everyone found themselves enjoying the day and getting involved in the activities.

Food services put on a fantastic BBQ and everyone ate well.



## Fun in the Sun

Shriver kicked off the summer festivities with a "Fun in the Sun" day and both Grafton Career Academy and Glenmont Job Corps attended. There was great food and all types of games to play.

Fort Devens' soldiers were there to supervise the 25 foot rock climbing wall.

Krystal Conton and the Peer Leadership Coordinator, Ms. Perez raced through the bubble-filled obstacle course twice. There were sack races and water games as well.

After a wonderful dinner, the group settled down to enjoy a concert with the Reggae groups. "Hot Like Fire", who played a lot of Marley music.



Grafton group takes a picture with the band "Hot Like Fire".

## The Safety Panther

### Safety Awareness Newsletter

### Volume 19

## Hot Weather Safety

### Slow Down

- Your body doesn't work well in high temperature and humidity

### Listen to our body

- If you are thirsty, stop what you are doing and drink **water**. Avoid alcoholic beverages and drinks containing caffeine, they will rob your body of moisture

### Dress for the weather

- Wear lightweight clothes and light colors.

### Don't get too much sun

- When going outside, always apply sun block.





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### Staff Team Building Day Awards

The Center gave out Awards Certificates to the Employee of the Month and Above and Beyond staff, as well as departmental team awards during Staff Team Building Day on June 29, 2007. Recipients included:

**Employee of the Month:** Douglas Mathews

**Above and Beyond:** Vickie Brown, Cheryl Payne, Stephanie Collins-Rankin, Juan Illaraza, Mirelles Andrade, Carmen Marchany

**Team Awards:** Academics and Health Services

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### Important Web Security Enhancements—Coming Soon

#### New security questions and answers for extra protection

We are pleased to introduce a new level of enhanced login security, which will provide an additional layer of protection from fraud. Beginning July 8, 2007, upon access to your account via the website, you will be prompted to register online. This brief registration process will require you to select and answer four security questions. Additionally, you will have the opportunity to create a unique, alpha-numeric User ID and Password for web access. No longer will a social security number be required to access your account online. Please note, access to the Voice Response System will not be affected and your current User ID and Personal Identification Number will still be needed.

This superior security technology protects your account from unauthorized access. It identifies you as the true owner of the accounts by recognizing not only your User ID and Password but your computer as well. In the future, if your account is accessed from a computer not recognized by TruSource, the security questions will be used to verify the identity of the person trying to access the account. In this situation, you will be required to answer three of the four questions correctly.

#### For more information

If you have questions or need assistance, contact the Participant Service Center at (800) 274-8798. We look forward to continuing to provide you with enhancements that make your online services as convenient—and secure—as possible.

### Student Management 6/28/07 —7/4/07

Area/Staff Counselors	Total Terms	WTR	90 Day Retention	Orderly Separation	Performance Rating
Ahmed—Non-Res.	0	00	0	0	100
Arno— Wings 5 & 8	0	00	0	0	100
Diamond—Wings 6 & 7	2	3.7	50	0	0
Imbody— Wings 1 & 4	1		1.6	0	80
Reid—Wings 2 & 3	0	00	0	0	100